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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This is a full and timely response to the non-final Office Action dated September 3, 2004. Upon entry of this response, new Claims 80 – 103 remain pending in the application.

Rejection of Claims 1-79

Claims 1-5, 14, 15, 18-26, 28, 33-52, 56, 59, 60, 62-72, and 74 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by *Brown* and *Holec*. Also, Claims 6-13, 16, 17, 53-55, 57, 58, and 75-79 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Brown* or *Holec*. In addition, Claims 29-32 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Holec*. Although Applicants do not necessarily agree with the current rejections and do not admit any facts of which "official notice" was taken in the previous official action, Claims 1-79 have been cancelled and new Claims 80 – 103 have been added. Applicants respectfully assert that Claims 80 – 103 are patentable over the prior art cited by the Examiner.

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Conclusion

In view of the remarks presented above, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 80 - 103 of the present application are now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at (404) 881-7728 to resolve any remaining issues.

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